

From: louis gehlhausen
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, kimweb@fcc.gov, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 8:39 PM
Subject: FCC rules.

I urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies

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Sincerely, Louis Gehlhausen.

From: Charles Strickland
To: Mike Powell, kabernat@fcc.gov, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 8 51 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

We urge each of you to not relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies.

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If anything, they need more regulation (to force "equal time" on opposing views and to provide better quality family shows) not relaxing them. They have too much influence now in what we see and hear - much of it not worth the money we pay.

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Sincerely,

Charles L. Strickland
Christina P. Strickland
1966 Big Pigeon Rd
Prociuous, WV 25164-9412

From: Brian Graybeal
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:06 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

I urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect us from biased media coverage. So much of what the American public is fed is already skewed and biased, if these rules were relaxed, independent news would be lost to big dollars

Our country is built on freedom of the press, it was also based on Christian principles. Communications companies such as Viacom and Disney would erase those values and the viewpoints that support them if allowed

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Thank You!
Brian Graybeal
Access to Christian Missions
www.AccessChristian.net

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 (NIV)

<http://www.accesschristian.net>

From: Sunbare In good ole Arizona
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:10 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

To: The Honorable
Michael K Powell
Kathleen Q. Abernathy
Michael J Copps
Kevin J. Martin
Jonathan S. Adelstein

Dear Madams/Sirs
Attached is my request to not relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies.

I wish to thank you in advance.

Sincerely
Robert Sanderson

Dear Mr. Powell:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert G. Sanderson", written over a horizontal line.

Mr. Robert G. Sanderson
Mesa, Arizona 85213-4611

From: USC34878@aol.com
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, kjmwebb@fcc.gov, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:18 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Honorable Chairman and Commissioners.

I am worried that relaxing FCC broadcast ownership rules would allow media monopolies to control what points of view are broadcast on our televisions. It would be a case of the powerful minority dictating to the silent majority what issues they will air and who they will air them for.

Unfortunately, television is a powerful influence on an often gullible public and I would hate to see a relaxing of the rules possibly lead to further losses of our precious freedoms by U.S. Citizens.

Respectfully yours,

William S. Bell
Port Director, Indianapolis
Bureau of Customs & Border Protection, DHS
WILLIAM.S.Bell@dhs.gov

From: Dnlow4@aol.com
To: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:24 PM
Subject: FCC ownership rules

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CC: Commissioner Adelstein

From: Jerry Gann
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:24 PM
Subject: Fcc rule changes

Dear Sir,

I am writting to you because of my concern about proposed FCC rule changes involving broadcast ownership rules. Any rule change which would allow a monopoly by media conglomerates to control the airwaves is a danger to our freedom of speech. This will restrict opposing points of view from being heard. A monopoly by anyone will limit the knowledge we all need to make decisions about differing political viewpoints

Sincerely,

Jerry W. Gann

From: Robert Thomas
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:28 PM
Subject: Do not relax broadcast ownership rules

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

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Sincerely,

Robert Thomas
Syracuse, NY

From: Gary Mosher
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9 32 PM
Subject: broadcast ownership rules

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Sincerely,

Gary Mosher
466 Summer St. Apt 2
Schenectady, NY 12306

From: FRANK HOVATTER
To: Kathleen Abernathy, mcoppc@fcc.gov, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein, Mike Powell
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:32 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Dear Commissioner,

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Sincerely,

Frank Hovatter
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Virginia Beach, VA 23456

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From: SEJade@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:36 PM
Subject: Corporate control of the media

Dear FCC Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein,

It is my understanding, June 2 is the date scheduled, when the FCC will announce the decision to lift some, most, or all of the remaining restrictions on consolidation of corporate control of the media.

This is outrageous

Are we headed towards government controlled, police state?

What happened to strength through diversity?

Instead of helping the country heal from our grief from 9-11, it appears our government is exploiting, even aggravating, the paranoia, the anxiety, the DEPENDENCE of the average American.

It has become scary to express a different point of view. Politics are taking over the media, making the world become some version of surrealistic.

WHAT AMERICAN VALUE could POSSIBLY be served in permitting corporations to consolidate, to have a few, or one, in control of the media?

Public interest should guide your decision, not CORPORATE PROFIT.

Please choose the patriotic, TRULY American decision, regarding this.

This can't happen --- we can't let one voice, one perspective, one power dominate the media.

The media belongs to the people. It should serve the people. The media should never be exploited to brainwash or intimidate the public. (Or whitewash a war.)

Thank you for listening.

Jane Carroll
10313 Crystal Ave.
Kansas City, Missouri 64134

From: Kathy Yockey
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 14 PM
Subject: June 2nd Decision

Dear Mr Adelstein,

am typing out of concern about the decision you will be making on June 2nd. regarding media ownership I think it is nothing short of outrages that none of this has been covered by the media and the American people are for the most part uninformed about what you are planning to do. In my own small way I have been trying to inform the people I know in hopes that they will do the same with their friends. For you to vote to allow a few large corporations buy up all of the media outlets in our country is nothing short of outrages. We will not be able to get fair and balanced news, I sure hope this is not your intent. Mark me down as opposed to a few corporations being allowed to control the news.

Thank you,

Kathy Yockey

Athens, Georgia

From: Norman Sutton
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 14 PM
Subject: Fw: Broadcast ownership rules

> From: Norman Sutton <nsuttn@globaleyes.net>
> To: mpowell@fcc.gov
> Subject: Broadcast ownership rules
> Date: Wednesday, May 07, 2003 8 55 PM
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> Vertia and/or Norman Sutton
> nsuttn@globaleyes.net
> Dear Sir.
> I urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership
> rules that protect citizens from media monopolies. The giant media will
> try to monopolize the news and information and keep opposing viewpoints
> from getting expressed! For a free America!
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>
> Sincerely,
> Norman W Sutton

From: Daniela Gioseffi
To: Mike Powell
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10:14 PM
Subject: Stop media conglomeration destructive of democracy!!!

Chairman Michael K. Powell: mpowell@fcc.gov Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission

Kathleen Q. Abernathy kabernat@fcc.gov,

Commissioner Michael J. Copps mcopps@fcc.gov,

Commissioner Kevin J. Martin kjmweb@fcc.gov,

Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein jadelste@fcc.gov

Dear Chairman Powell and Commissioners of the FCC:

The air waves belong to the people and there has already been too much conglomeration into large media corporations which propagandize for war and rightwing, corporate interests. Further conglomeration is only a larger threat to democracy. STOP further media conglomeration now!

Clean up the sadistic programming and woman trashing of disgusting shows like Gerry Springer and Howard Stern. WHY IS SUCH DISGUSTING NONSENSE ALLOWED TO PERSIST? THE CHARACTER OF OUR COUNTRY HAS BEEN PULLED INTO THE GUTTER BY SUCH PROGRAMMING. Put them off our public airwaves. Use more public airwaves for good solid educational programming devoid of violence and lies! Stop overuse of the airwaves by fundamentalist religion. We are not supposed to infringe on the separation of church and state with our public airwaves. Secular stations should be given preference, not fundamentalist ones. Over a third of the applications filed for an FCC license come from fundamentalist religious right-wing bigots. STOP THIS MADNESS!

Why aren't these private enterprises made to pay rent to the American People who own the airwaves? Are public airwaves have been given to monstrous purposes! Why are these corporate interests allowed to abuse our airwaves--for free-- with lies, political propaganda and debauchery, violence and decadence? Why? Isn't it because our government, and the FCC, are controlled by corporate interests and the profit motive?

It has been proven that violence on television encourages violence in our culture. You are charged to protect the public airwaves, not give them away to violence, sadism, fundamentalist religious bigotry, and debauchery, and worst of all political propaganda! How are you protecting our airwaves from corporate interests of the military and oil industrialists who have arrested our democracy and turned it into a plutocratic technocracy which is bankrupting our nation and destroying its environment and its civil liberties?

We are completely dismayed by the threat of even further conglomeration of the media. NBC, CBS, FOX, and ABC are propaganda machines which hold the American people hostage to lies. They have destroyed any semblance of democracy and insured that a plutocratic technocracy has taken control of our country. That plutocratic technocracy is destroying our people and our country. Be true patriots and stand against further media conglomeration. Please! For the love of democracy! Promote secular diversity on the airwaves!

Dr and Mrs. Lionel B. Luttinger, PhD. Yale University

and Pr Daniela Gioseffi, Professor of Communication Arts, Montclair University

From: Charles & Sandy Sponaugle
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 14 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Mr. Adelstein,

I urge you to not relax the broadcast ownership rules that we currently have. Allowing existing media giants to have the ability to dominate large market areas allows them to decide which viewpoint to present, with no chance of alternate ideas being presented. Businesses are now allowed to have monopoly power in the marketplace. Media corporations should not be able to monopolize communications channels in any region of the country.

Thank you for your consideration

Charles Sponaugle
N9LYY

From: Mike Abshire
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10:14 PM
Subject: Do not to relax the broadcast ownership rules

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

I urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. These proposed changes would pave the way for giant media conglomerates to gain near-total control of radio and television news and information in communities across our nation. Many of the corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. For the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,
Mike Abshire
Cincinnati, OH 45230

From: Rondal Floyd
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 26 PM
Subject: Keep FCC Protections Alive

Greetings and Salutations:

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Sincerely,

Rondal C. Floyd, II
Centreville, VA

From: Ernest Keerans
To: KM KJMWEB
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10:48 PM
Subject: PLEASE ASK YOUR OTHER COMMISSIONERS FRO A COPY OF MY E-MAIL.
ERNIE

Dear Honorable Kevin J. Martin and the Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein:

I just sent an e-mail to the Honorables Powell, Abernathy and Copps. In no way did I try to slight you two gentlemen by not including you in that e-mail, but I am a babe in the woods, though long of tooth when it comes to e-mails and the computer in general. My e-mail to them would only allow me three (3) people to send to. I think you both should ask them a copy of my e-mail on your up and coming vote on News Papers, Radio and Television vote that you have coming up. Don't let them persuade you to come over to their side and create the largest monopoly in the world. They already tell you what they want you to hear, show only what they want you to see, and print only what they want you to read.

Stand up to them and do what is right for us all as free Americans. You know in your hearts that you cannot trust them, because they hide behind the first amendment, but deny us that right unless it suits them to let the rest of the world to hear, see and make up our own minds on various issues.

Yours Truly,

Ernest W. Keerans

P.S. This e-mail does not allow me enough space to say all that is on my mind pertaining to the subject matter

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CC: Commissioner Adelstein

From: Dean Scoggin
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10:54 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

The Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein

Dear Commissioner,

Please do not relax the broadcast ownership rules that prevent media monopolies. The larger media companies already have so much power that they try to control our thinking and influence politics. They spin the news and tell us just what they think we should hear. It is hard to find out the truth in the news and if they had more control, they would attempt to run this country. We need independent other companies to tell us the rest of the story. The big companies, i.e. CBS and ABC have refused to allow other points of view to be aired on their media. There have been many of their exploits exposed by smaller media outlets. Please keep this available to us.

Thank You,

Dean Scoggin
Scottsbluff, NE

From: Susan
To: Mike Powell, kabernathy@fcc.gov, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11:12 PM
Subject: FCC Broadcast Ownership Rules

Dear Sirs / Ma'am,

I urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies!!

These proposed changes could prevent independent voices from being heard. Independent groups cannot compete with the large media conglomerates! Many of the corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these laws, already have a known track record for attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air.

The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. Therefore, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I URGE you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,
Susan Simmerock
Birch Tree, MO 65438-9706

From: David
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11:17 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,

David C. Morris
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39401

From: James M Lemoncelli
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11:19 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,

James M Lemoncelli
1141 Myers Ave
Peckville PA 18452-2024
Phone: (570) 383-0835
E-Mail: jklemon@usnetway.com

From: Ronald Myers
To: Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11:21 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership

Dear FCC Commissioners: I am contacting you in opposition to the relaxing of protections against monopolies of broadcast facilities in this country. I am very much against the idea of allowing only a handful of media outlets to virtually control all broadcast media. Having a virtual monopoly will ensure that only one slanted side of an event will be portrayed. There is already too much of what I consider liberal media bias in the presentation of the news today. If the current rules are relaxed, there will be even more unfair and one-sided presentation of facts to the American public.

I strongly request that you resist any relaxation of the rules against monopoly ownership of the broadcast media.

Sincerely,

Ron Myers
5238 W. Potter Dr.
Glendale, AZ 85308

From: Marcia Casses
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11 24 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership rules

I urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. The American people deserve to hear more than ONE POINT OF VIEW on important issues. THEREFORE, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,
Marcia Casses

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CC: hrupert@webtv.net, dwc@stargate.net

From: Trapr65@aol.com
To: Mike Powell, KM KJMWEB
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11 31 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership rules

Dear Sir;

If proposed "broadcast ownership rules" are adopted, independent voices in cities across the United States could be snuffed out by huge media corporations

Pat McGarvey
7345 Hwy 64
Bloomfield, NM 87413

CC: Blusu39@cs.com, Commissioner Adelstein, Kathleen Abernathy

From: sheila
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 11 38 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,

Sheila Middleton
Harlan, KY 40831-7125

From: Lyle Weeks
To: Mike Powell, Commissioner Adelstein, Kathleen Abernathy, KM KJMWEB, Michael Copps
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 12:27 AM
Subject: Changes to the rules that prohibit MONOPOLY OWNERSHIP of media sources

Dear FCC Commissioners,

I would like you to consider the consequences of allowing major conglomerates ownership of the airwaves in the United States of America. I wore the uniform of the United States Air Force for 23 years. I served proudly from the age of 18 until past my 40th birthday. I too fought in the Vietnam War from 1967 to 1968 and was at DaNang A.B Vietnam during the infamous Tet Offensive in 1968. I offer these facts only to let you know where my sense of duty to the Democratic Republic of the United States of America stands. I value my freedom to the maximum and have paid the price for that freedom. I have served in countries that were controlled by dictators and know how tightly controlled their media is. I have also watched the Air Waves and the News Papers in this country become extremely biased to a point of view and at the same time limiting the point of view of others.

I am a Life Time Endowment Member of the National Rifle Association. I have always been an avid outdoorsman and Hunter and Fisherman. I joined the NRA because of the assault on our rights to be able to defend our property and the lives of our loved ones. I have been around firearms all my life and have brought my children up to respect firearms. I also taught them to respect others and to be courteous. I have also told them that they have the right of self defense in the appropriate situations. Commissioners, I urgently request that you consider the ramifications of lifting the ban of MONOPOLY OWNERSHIP of our media sources and the effect it will have on open debate in this country.

Respectfully Yours,

Lyle G. Weeks Jr., SMSgt, USAF, Retired

N.R.A. Endowment Life Member

From: MTELAINC@aol.com
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 12:43 AM
Subject: BROADCAST OWNERSHIP RULES

HONORABLE CHAIRMAN & COMMISSIONERS: I WANT TO VOICE MY OPINION THE PROPOSED RULES CHANGE THAT WOULD ALLOW MEDIA CONGLOMERATES TO BECOME MEDIA MONOPOLIES

AS FOLLOWS: 1.) WE NEED INDEPENDENT MEDIA OUTLETS AS OPPOSED TO MEDIA "CORPORATIONS" TO MAINTAIN BALANCE, TO KEEP OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS AVAILABLE, PREVENT CENSORSHIP, & TO PREVENT POTENTIAL MONOPOLISTIC APPROACHES TO NEWS COVERAGE, ADVERTISING RATES, & POLITICAL VIEWPOINTS. 2.) MAINTAIN THIS FAIR & HONEST BALANCE WE MUST CONTINUE TO ENFORCE FCC RULES THAT KEEP BROADCAST OWNERSHIP RULES FROM BECOMING RELAXED. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO MY VIEWPOINT, & I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THE OUTCOME OF YOUR VOTE. THANK YOUMIKE EGAN, 21705 W 58TH ST., SHAWNEE, KS. 66218

CC: ROBERTS@SENATE.GOV,
SENATOR_BROWNBACK@BROWNBACK.SENATE.GOV